

# City of Milton Newsletter

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**Important Dates to Remember:** 

Offices Closed:

• November 23, 2017

• November 24, 2017

• December 25, 2017

• December 26, 2017

• January 2, 2018 (Police

Public Library's holiday

schedule on Page 2 for details on their holiday

Dog & Cat Licenses Due:

\$10 late fee assessed

per animal after April

April 1, 2018

Offices closed only)

• Refer to the Milton

• January 1, 2018

## Dog & Cat Licenses Available

Dog and cat licenses for 2018 are now available at City Hall, 710 S. Janesville Street.

All dogs and cats in the City of Milton over 5 months of age *must* be licensed by April 1<sup>st</sup> of each year. A \$10 late fee per animal is assessed after this date. The licensing period runs January – December.

#### Fees:

- Spayed / Neutered: \$8
- Non-Spayed / Non-Neutered: \$15

# Street Light Out? Call Public Works



Do you have a street light out near your business or residence? Call the Department of Public Works at (608) 868-6914 so they can notify Alliant Energy.

#### Additional Dog & Cat Information



Pet owners are responsible for cleaning up after their pet(s). This applies to all City properties and neighbors' yards.

The City does not pick up stray dogs or cats. If an animal is found, please call the Humane Society of Southern Wisconsin at (608) 752-5622.

### **Election Officials Needed**



Are you interested in helping at the polling place during elections as an Election Official? Election Officials are paid \$8 per hour for their service and receive training. Contact the City Clerk at (608) 868-6900 ext. 2 or by

email at lschroeder@milton-wi.gov for more information.

### Elections:

hours.

• Spring Primary -February 20, 2018

1, 2018

- Spring Election April 3, 2018
- Partisan Primary August 14, 2018
- Fall General Election November 6, 2018

#### Taxes:

 First installments are due by January 31, 2018 to the Rock County Treasurer, PO Box 1508, Janesville, WI 53547.

## Winter Reminders



As winter approaches, city staff reminds residents of winter related ordinances.

<u>Sidewalks</u>: After every snowfall, all sidewalks must be cleared regardless of the amount of accumulation. Residential properties have 60 hours to clear the sidewalks, and business properties have until 10 a.m. the next day to clear the sidewalks.

<u>Parking</u>: No vehicle may be left parked on the street or in a municipal parking lot after a snowfall of 1.5 inches or greater. Vehicles may not be returned to the street or a municipal parking lot until after the snow has been removed or plowed to the curbline. In business districts, the Police Department **will tow** any vehicle in violation once the plows begin working in those areas.

<u>Salted Sand</u>: Salted sand is available to pick up at the Public Works Garage, 150 Northside Drive.

## 2018 Spring Election & Candidate Information



Elections for local offices will be held on April 3, 2018. There are three City of Milton alderperson seats up for election in 2018. The incumbents are Ald.

Dave Adams, Ald. Lynda Clark, and Ald. Ryan Holbrook.

If you are interested in running for a City office and have questions regarding the process, please contact the City Clerk at (608) 868-6900 ext. 2 or by email at lschroeder@milton-wi.gov.

### Important Dates to Remember:

- November 27, 2017 Local Candidate Nomination Papers and Information Packet available for pick-up at City Hall.
- December 1, 2017 First day for candidates to circulate nomination papers for 2018 Spring Election.
- December 22, 2017 Last day (5 p.m.) for incumbents not seeking re-election to file Notification of Non-Candidacy with the City Clerk.
- January 2, 2018 Last day (5 p.m.) for candidates to file nomination papers with the City Clerk.

# City of Milton Department Phone Numbers:

City Hall - 868-6900 Fire Dept.: 868-2842 Library - 868-7462 Police Dept. -868-6910 Public Works -868-6914



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### **Library Events & Announcements**

**Storytime, Wednesdays:** 10:30 - 11 a.m. Stories, fingerplays, action rhymes, music, and crafts. *There is no Storytime on Wednesday, December* 20.

**Music & Movement:** Twice a month on Mondays (Nov. 13 & 27, Dec. 4 & 18), 6:30 - 7:00 p.m. Rhymes, stories, action songs, music, and dancing.

**The Library @ MAYC:** Friday, November 17, 4 - 5 p.m. Participate in a variety of popular library programs brought to the Milton Area Youth Center.

Winter Coat Drive: November 1 - 30.



Milton Public Library Book Sale: November 1 - 30. Great selection and great prices! Sale will be open during regular library hours.



**Submit to the Teen Literary Magazine:** Submit an original poem, piece of prose, illustration, comic, or book review for the library's Teen Literary Magazine (title TBD)

**Individual Technology Instruction:** Call the library to register for a half hour or one hour one-on-one instruction on a variety of computer topics.

# SPARK SUPPLY DRIVE View wishlist!

**Supplies Drive:** Help us equip The SPARK with tools, art supplies, and other materials so we can continue to provide unique programs for all ages. A wish list can be found at https://thesparkatmpl.wordpress.com/.

**New 2018 Hours:** The Milton Public Library will be changing hours in 2018 to the following:

- Sunday 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.
- Monday & Tuesday 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.
- Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- Saturday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**Library Holiday Hours:** The Milton Public Library will be closed or have an alternate schedule the following dates during the holiday season:

- Thanksgiving Eve, November 22, 2017, open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Thanksgiving, November 23, 2017
- Day after Thanksgiving, November 24, 2017
- December 23, 2017
- Christmas Eve, December 24, 2017
- Christmas Day, December 25, 2017
- New Year's Eve, December 31, 2017
- New Year's Day, January 1, 2018

# City Meeting Schedule:

#### 2017

- November 28, 7 p.m. Council
- November 29, 7 p.m. Library Board
- December 5, 4 p.m. Plan Commission
- December 5, 7 p.m. Council
- December 6, 5:30 p.m. Historic Preservation Commission
- December 18, 6 p.m. Parks & Recreation Commission
- December 19, 6 p.m. –
   Public Works Committee
- December 19, 7 p.m. Council
- December 20, 7 p.m. Joint Fire Commission
- December 21, 8:30 a.m. Tourism Development Committee

### 2018

- January 3, 5:30 p.m. Historic Preservation Commission
- January 16, 4 p.m. Plan Commission
- January 16, 6 p.m. Public Safety Committee
- January 16, 7 p.m. Council
- January 17, 7 p.m. Joint Fire Commission

Interested in learning about events taking place in Milton over the holidays? Go to www.visitmilton.com for a full listing of area events.

Do you have an idea for information to include in the next newsletter?
Contact City Hall at (608) 868-6900 ext. 5.

## **Property Assessment Q&A**



Below are answers to a few frequently asked questions (FAQs) regarding the assessment process. Additional FAQs are available to review on the City website.

# Will I be notified if there is a change in my assessment?

Wisconsin law requires that whenever an assessment is changed the owner must be notified. It is anticipated that Musser Appraisal Service will send notification to all property owners of the new assessment in May 2018.

### When will I see the new assessment on a tax bill?

The new assessment will be reflected on the 2018 tax bill (sent in December 2018).

# When I get my new assessment, who do I talk to about it and possibly contest the value?

There is a process called "Open Book" in which you can schedule an appointment with Musser Appraisal Service. The dates have not been finalized yet, but will be in June 2018. If you still disagree with the assessment after discussing it with Musser Appraisal Service, you can present a case before the Board of Review. The date will be in most likely be in July 2018